



Republic or Empire? 共和国还是帝国?

NAME _____

PERIOD _____

DATE _____

WORD BANK

Government: republic · senate · consul · emperor · empire

Army: legion

1. Sort the facts

Write each letter in the right column.

- A. Two **consuls** 执政官 lead for one year.
- B. Augustus rules for life.
- C. Citizens elect their leaders.
- D. The ruler's face is on every coin.
- E. Romans have just removed their last king.

- F. About 200 years of peace, the *Pax Romana*.
- G. No one person may hold all the power.
- H. The Colosseum is finished in AD 80.
- I. Julius Caesar is a general.
- J. The western half falls in AD 476.

Republic 共和国 (509–27 BC)

Empire 帝国 (27 BC – AD 476)

2. Put them in order

Number the events from 1 (first) to 5 (last).

- ☐ Augustus becomes the first emperor
- ☐ Rome becomes a republic
- ☐ The western empire falls
- ☐ Julius Caesar is killed
- ☐ The Colosseum is finished



3. Explain the change

Why did some Romans want to keep the **republic** 共和国, even when an **emperor** 皇帝 brought peace?

Some Romans wanted to keep the republic because ...

**✓ ANSWER KEY**

- 1.** Republic: A, C, E, G, I. Empire: B, D, F, H, J.
- 2.** 1 Rome becomes a republic (509 BC); 2 Julius Caesar is killed (44 BC); 3 Augustus becomes the first emperor (27 BC); 4 the Colosseum is finished (AD 80); 5 the western empire falls (AD 476).
- 3.** Any reasoned answer: citizens lost their vote over leaders; one person held all the power; an emperor could be cruel or weak, and no one could replace him for a year.